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In re the Application of: **Takemori TAKAYAMA, et al.**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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July 16, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2004, please favorably consider the applicants' remarks as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.